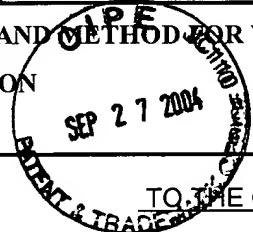


## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)

Applicant(s): John F. Fairclough et al.

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AT A REMOTE LOCATION

TO, THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Office Action, mailed September 9, 2004, Applicants submit the following claims. Please amend the above-identified application for patent as follows.

Claims 1, 11, 12, and 16 have been amended. Claims 1, 3-7, 12, and 14-22 remain pending in the application.